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Dear Examiner Trinh,

After inquiring with the Group Receptionist regarding the above-identified application, it has come to our attention that the Request for Reconsideration that we faxed on August 11, 2003 has not been entered.

Accordingly, we enclosed hereto, a copy of the Request for Reconsideration as well as a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission we received on August 11, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2003, please reconsider the above identified application in view of the following remarks.

On May 1, 2003, Applicants' counsel conducted a telephonic interview with the Examiner. Applicants' counsel pointed out errors in the Office Action issued on April 22, 2003. The Examiner agreed and issued an Office Action on May 15, 2003. The present Request for Reconsideration is in response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 15, 2003.

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application.

Claims 1-3, 7-9, 13-15 and 19-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Sato et al. (US 5,424,602) in view of Lejeune (US 6,269,326). Claims 4-6, 10-12, 16-18 and 22-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Sato et al. (US 5,424,602) and Lejeune (US 6,269,326) in view of Onishi et al. (JP 2000-216450). Claims 4-6, 10-12, 16-18 and 22-24 were rejected